

THE GAYEST AVENUE

BROADWAY IS THE MOST INTERESTING STREET ON EARTH.

Walter Wellman Writes of the Broadway of Pleasure, of Show, of Fashion, of Extravagance—Beautiful Women and Extortionate Hotel Keepers.

(Special Correspondence.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Broadway, as I have said before, is the most interesting thoroughfare in the world. And the most interesting part of Broadway is that which extends from Fourteenth to Forty-second street, a distance of a mile and a half. This is the Broadway of pleasure, of show, of fashion, of extravagance. It is the gayest mile and a half in the United States. There is nothing like it in Chicago, Boston, Washington or Philadelphia.



THE FASHION PLATE GIRL.

Let me endeavor to give you a picture of what this part of Broadway is—fifty hotels, two hundred restaurants, twenty theaters, a hundred cigar stores, and I don't know how many millinery shops, jewelry stores, haberdasheries and drinking saloons. They say there are many gambling houses, too, but of this I know nothing from personal observation. Still it would not be surprising if in this gay section of Broadway, or near by it, there were tiger's lairs and even worse places, by the score, for everything that is sportive, reckless, demoralizing and pleasure giving thrives here like a green bay tree.

The people who infest this gay Broadway appear to have nothing to do but to spend money. Where all the money comes from is a mystery to me. To watch the Broadway crowds spend money one would never think there were such things as poverty, want, despair in the world.

Not more than one-half of these pleasure seeking throngs are New Yorkers. In a walk along this thoroughfare you meet men from all parts of the United States, from all parts of the world. Many are respectable and important persons at their homes, guests of the hotels, in New York on business. Many are here merely for pleasure.

If there is a spendthrift in this country, a young idiot who has "come into" money and who is troubled with an itch for spending it, the chances are you will find him along Broadway. If a dissipated youth is missing from home, here is where his anxious parents should come in search of him. If there is a wandering boy who has, through some lucky stroke in the poolrooms, become imbued with the notion that he is a "plunger" and destined to make his fortune betting on horse races, a hunt on Broadway will surely disclose him. If a pretty, stylish and wayward girl has run away from home and failed to send her address to her sorrowing parents, seek her on the westside of Broadway, between Fourteenth and Forty-second streets.

While all sorts and conditions of men and women may be found on Broadway there are certain places at which you may be sure of finding certain kinds of people. For instance, all the Democratic politicians go to the Hoffman House, kept by the famous Stokes. All the Republican politicians go to the Fifth Avenue hotel.

Sporting men, followers of the races, may be found at the Coleman House. Actors assemble at the Brower House. Washington and New York state people go to the Gilsey House. New England-



ON ACTORS' CORNER.

ers are partial to the Sturtevant. Southern visitors, who formerly registered at the old New York hotel, now go to the Victoria.

With few exceptions the New York hotels are conducted on the European plan, and I should judge all are managed with a view to making millionaires of their owners in the shortest possible time. For two dollars a day they will give you a small bedroom, high up and perhaps "inside" merely a place to sleep. If you want a fairly decent room, such as you have at home, you must pay three or four dollars a day. A room with bath is from five to seven dollars. If you want a parlor or reception room, you may pay ten or as many more dollars per day as you like.

These prices, mind you, are for the

rooms alone. Your meals you pay for as you get them—as long as your money holds out. The simplest sort of breakfast—fruit, eggs, bread and coffee, or something like that—costs you very nearly a dollar. What the check doesn't take out of your dollar bill the waiter expects and generally manages to get. Two Bartlett pears cost you forty cents; coffee with cream—and what civilized man ever heard of coffee without cream?—is only thirty-five cents in New York! A fair dinner will spoil a two dollar bill. Your supper or luncheon is \$1.50. Besides you must tip the porter and the hall boy and the chambermaid. And if you have a nice room and live well you will be lucky if you get off with less than eight or ten dollars a day.

Nevertheless there are thousands of people spending their money in these hotels and cafes. Hundreds of fashionable restaurants are crowded all the time. Cabs and carriages are busy. The theaters are full. Fine clothes are seen everywhere. Expensive cigars—and in this part of New York the man behind the counter loses respect for you if you ask for anything cheaper than three for a half a dollar—are smoked by the million. Wine flows and whisky too.

Broadway financing is queer. Champagne is sold at the regulation price of \$3.50, but beer is a dime and whisky twenty cents a drink. In the New York hotels they sell you two cent newspapers for five cents, though you can get them just outside the door at publisher's prices. If you don't leave all your money in New York it is not the fault of the New York hotel keepers.

The part of Broadway of which I write is most interesting in the afternoon of a fair autumn day. Nowhere else that I have been is it possible to see so many beautiful women. It seems as if all the beautiful women in the United States have rendezvoused in this gay mile and a half. Their gowns and millinery are poems. For a man I suppose I have always taken extraordinary interest in fashion magazines. Every week I buy one or two, being particularly fond of the London and Paris publications.

Until I visited New York I had never believed the sort of gowns one sees pictured in the Paris fashion plates had any real existence. I had supposed they were fancy pictures, like artists' studies of pretty heads. Yet here they are, along Broadway, not in specimen, not in occasional happy imitation, but in fact and by the thousand, as artistic and pretty and chic as if they had been cut out of the fashion plates, enlarged by some legerdemain to woman's size



SCENE ON SPORTING ROW.

and fitted to women who know how to wear them. Fittingly to characterize the gowns and the millinery of Broadway I shall have to employ the expression which I heard a woman use, "They are dreams!"

Broadway gowns and millinery are worth going miles to see. Broadway women are worth traveling the world round to behold. Who are they, what are they, why are they here? These are the queries that come intuitively to one's mind. But I know not. One-half of them at least appear to be honest. Many are actresses. Many more are unclassified—not living by their wits, as a large proportion of the men of Broadway do, but living somehow. No matter what or who they are, they form a passing show of beauty. They make up a vanity fair which one never tires of studying.

The more you study Broadway beauty, however, the greater is your admiration for modern art, for this beauty, much of it, is the product of art. That the gowns and the millinery are artistic I have already noted, but this is only half the story. The corset maker, working by measurement like an architect solving a problem, has made the form. The bootmaker has contrived to make pretty an ugly foot. It is in the face that art has lavished her greatest genius. Noses have been straightened, their pug ends elongated, their humps reduced. Moles and wrinkles have been eradicated or smoothed. The complexion, through long courses of treatment, have been beautified almost incredibly. Powder and tints are used, but with such delicate art that nature is successfully simulated.

All these things were pointed out to me by a woman who described the processes, who told me that hundreds of women are earning small fortunes in New York beautifying other women. The rooms of the cosmetic artists are crowded. "Any woman with fairly decent features and a hundred dollars can become beautiful in New York." So said my guide.

A case in point. Along Broadway walked a marvelously stylish, fascinatingly beautiful woman. "I know that girl," said a friend of mine; "she is the wife of a theatrical manager. Five years ago she was a country girl in Pennsylvania. She drove the cows for her mother, and I have seen her out barefooted on a frosty morning, stepping in the place where a cow had just been lying to warm her feet. She had red hair, freckles, a pug nose. Now look at her!"

Such are the triumphs of art along Broadway. WALTER WELLMAN.

PULASKI.

A Great Democratic Rally Was Held There Friday Night.

Special Correspondence of THE TIMES.

PULASKI CITY, Oct. 8.—At the great Democratic rally last night the Hon. Joseph C. Wyser, of Newbern, distinguished himself in an elaborate digest of the campaign issues before an appreciative and enthusiastic audience. His description of the force bill was ably rendered and received with numerous outbursts of applause. He held his hearers spell-bound for over an hour with his usual power of eloquence. After disposing of this measure he, in the most forcible language, defended the clause in the Democratic platform relating to a tariff for revenue only against the Republican protection idea of supporting supposed infant industries.

Mr. Wyser was followed by the Hon. Judge R. M. Brown, whose humorous remarks were a joyful ending to one of the most successful meetings held in this the Ninth district, and will no doubt result in a more joyful result on the 8th of November next.

Pulaski can be depended on rolling up the usual Democratic majority, notwithstanding several attempts which have lately been made by entire strangers to register illegally, which action has been promptly nipped in the bud by our able and efficient registrar, A. S. Krabrick. Capt. Ship. Wassum is seen on the streets again after a severe attack of the liver complaint.

Several new enterprises have lately been started here, of which I will speak at another time. Building is quite active now, notwithstanding the usual cry of dull times, and the various furnaces are turning out their quota of iron and zinc. "G."

Gus Williams Monday.

THAT very excellent comedian, Gus Williams, will appear at the Academy of Music Monday night. Mr. Williams does not visit us very often, but he is an old and ever-welcome favorite, and will be remembered favorably for his splendid work in the many plays in which he has been seen. He is probably the only dialect comedian on the stage to day who presents the German-American in his native atmosphere and without burlesque. His methods are neat and artistic, and strains for effect, but always appears perfectly at ease and natural. He presents on this visit a farce comedy entitled "April Fool," described as a musical eccentricity, by C. Wallace Walters, a very able journalist of Philadelphia. Mr. Williams has surrounded himself with an excellent company. Prominent in his support are Ross and Fonton, Lillian Elma, Gertrude Hill, Frank Girard and others well known to the theatre-going public.

COPPER & STONE, furniture dealers, have just laid in a fall stock upon which they are offering great inducements. Their advertisement appears in another column.

OUR ladies' \$2 button shoes are beauties and are guaranteed to wear. At J. MOYER'S.

THE proprietors of Coynor's Springs having secured Professor Bellezza's orchestra, have decided to give a "Full Dress Hop" on Tuesday and German on Friday nights of each week during the season.

Marriage and death notices from any place in Southwest Virginia will be published free as below.

DIED.

DICKERSON.—Yesterday at 5 o'clock p. m., at the residence of H. M. Daniel, 319 South Jefferson street, Hiram M. Dickerson, aged 35 years. The remains will be shipped to Louisa county this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock for interment.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements in this column will repay perusal.

C. D. MAHONEY.

TIN SLATE AND IRON ROOFING. JOBBING. PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO, AND SATISFACTION GUARANTEED. 311 ROANOKE ST. S. W., ROANOKE, VA. 41517

VALUABLE INFORMATION FOR LADIES.

Perfection and Taylor Adjustable Shoe. Expands with every motion of the foot. They do not burn or blister the feet during the warm season. A narrower shoe of these makes can be worn. Shoes made to measure a specialty. 100 times more comfortable than any other make. Consolidated Shoe Co., 171 E. Lynn, Mass. For sale by CALVIN L. ROSSER, No. 602 Second avenue S. W., Roanoke City, Va. Agents wanted by the company in all sections. 724 law 15w

FRUIT'S CANDIDEN CAKES

Having succeeded Xanthancon, the confectioner and baker, at 106 Salem avenue S. W., I invite my friends and the public generally to patronize me. My stock of fruits, foreign and domestic, candies, cakes, toys, etc., is full and complete. Weddings, parties, etc., served. 6117 A. C. MOSS.

BUGGIES AND CARRIAGES FOR SALE.

I carry a full line of buggies, carriages, phaetons, surreys, harness, etc., for sale cheap. Get prices before purchasing elsewhere. Satisfaction guaranteed. F. V. REED, Corner Fifth ave. and Roanoke St. 666m

FREDERICK J. AMWEG, C. E. M.

Am. Soc. C. E. & Eng'rs. Club of Philadelphia; engineer, contractor and builder, Commercial Bank Building, Roanoke, Va. apr22-17

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of any kind? If you do LOOK AT MY PRINTING HOUSE, at Nos. 1434 Jefferson street, and 8 Salem avenue, is the place to leave your orders. First class work promptly executed at moderate prices and satisfaction guaranteed. Telephone No. 168. 41717

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GOETZ'S BULLETIN.

We have again accepted the agency for the celebrated "LADIES' TENDER FEET SHOES." Will sell them again under the same guarantee and as low as ever.

Goods damaged by flood will be sold at a great sacrifice. Come and look at them, there may be a pair to fit you. GOETZ'S, No. 101 Salem avenue, Cor. Henry, 4156m.

THE OLD RELIABLE AND POPULAR Dye Works is the only place to have your clothes perfectly dyed, cleaned and repaired. Prices very moderate. Goods sent by express will receive prompt attention. E. WALSACK, proprietor, corner Commerce and Campbell streets, Roanoke, Va. may29-6m.

THE ROANOKE TRANSFER Company is prepared to do all kinds of hauling. They keep good wagons, good teams and responsible drivers. Prompt attention. Offices, Freight depot and Jefferson street, south. Telephone, 119. oct1-177

NOTICE.—ALL TRAN-

sient advertising must be paid cash in advance, to save cost of booking and collecting. Advertisements in the one-cent-a-word column are one cent for each of the first two insertions and half a cent a word for each subsequent insertion.

DR. J. T. STRICKLAND

Has removed his office to the corner of Salem avenue and Jefferson street.

Office hours: 8:30 to 10 a. m., 2:30 to 4 p. m., 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. 9231m.

DR. J. H. LAWRENCE HAS RE-

moved his office from near Massie & Martin's drug store to No. 10 Campbell street, over Thompson's new book store.

OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 to 10:00 a. m., 2:30 to 4:00 p. m., 7:00 to 9:00 p. m. 1052w

WANTED—HELP.

WANTED—A GOOD COOK, WASH- and ironer for small family. Apply to R. H. GARTHRIGHT, Vinton. 10917

NOTICE—TINNERS WANTED. Two good, practical roofers and one good shoo man. Call on or address A. L. HILL, Pocahontas, Va. 1051w

WANTED—A GOOD SALESMAN for this territory. Good pay to right party with satisfactory reference. Apply to CHAS. J. POGUE, Gen'l Manager, 923230t Chattanooga, Tenn.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

BIG REDUCTION FOR NEXT FEW days only on railroad tickets to Chattanooga, Cincinnati, Chicago, Richmond, Norfolk and other points. Call at No. 4 Jefferson street, Roanoke, Va. Phone No. 266. SAM'L A. VICK. 7917

WANTED—TO HIRE ONE OR two heavy draught horses for winter. Address J., Times office. 1071w

WANTED—A FEW YOUNG MEN as callers; will be here only one week. Address W., Times office. 1061w.

MRS. S. B. WILLIAMS WILL RESUME her classes in vocal and instrumental music Monday, September 19th. For terms apply at HOTEL PONCE DE LEON. 931m

MONEY TO LOAN—BY CONSULT- ing Hartsok, the renter, 108 Jefferson street, he will tell you how you can secure money on anything like good security.

BOARDING.

FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILD- ren can get board with connecting rooms, first or second floor, house and furniture entirely new; south west section; three squares from 1½ west corner and five minutes' walk of depot. Address "A. B. C." care clerk Hastings Court. 1081w

BOARDERS WANTED AT 110 8TH 1061w

BOARDERS WANTED AT NO. 31 Seventh avenue S. W.; rooms furnished or unfurnished; terms moderate; first-class board; all modern conveniences. 9231m

WANTED—ROOM AND TABLE boarders at 406 Church street. 52417

FOR RENT.

5 ROOM COTTAGES SHENANDOAH n. e., \$10; 5-room house Third avenue S. W., \$11; 7-room house, Word street S. W., \$20; 9-room house, Salem avenue S. W., \$35; 8-room house, Fourth street S. W., \$22. See HARTSOOK, the renter, 108 Jefferson street. 22817

FOR RENT—NICELY FURNISHED room with board for gentleman and wife or two gentlemen. Apply at 712 Campbell street. 109217

FOR RENT—SIX-ROOM HOUSE ON Third avenue n. w. Apply at once to H. M. ANGLE, at Brown & Johnston's hardware. 106417

National Building Company,

C. O'LEARY & CO., MANAGERS.

This company, having been here but a very short time, has done a very good business in enabling our rent-paying citizens to have homes built for themselves next season. Houses will be erected for these people in almost every part of our city. It is not confining itself to any one piece of property, as building and loan men sometimes say, who are jealous of our company because we are a friend of the laboring man and do not charge him any membership, premiums, etc. This company is no building and loan company, but a Building Company, incorporated and run by men of honor and ability. The company's standing is very good, having sold the past six months nearly 3,000 paid-up shares and about 8,000 shares on installments, and is the owner of real estate to the value of about \$100,000. This company is the only one in the United States working upon the principles set forth in its prospectus, which anyone can secure by addressing

C. O'LEARY & CO., TERRY BUILDING, ROANOKE

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—41 SALEM AVENUE; first-class place for barroom. FRANCIS B. KEMP. 1041w

FOR RENT—A NINE ROOM HOUSE with all modern improvements, furnace heat; cars pass the door; will rent furnished or unfurnished. MRS. S. A. FORBES, 1024 Patterson avenue. 108317

FOR RENT. 825 Salem avenue, 10 rooms, bath. \$25.00 5 new houses near Lock Works, 6 rooms. 10.00 5 new houses near West End Rolling Mills. 10.00 6 rooms. 12.00 7 new houses, West End, 3 rooms. 8.00 4 new houses, Belmont, 6 rooms. 12.00 2 cottages, E. Roanoke, near Machine Works. 8.00 W. L. WATTS & CO., Times Building. 11017

FOR RENT—FOUR-STORY WARE house, Holiday street, with retail department; can be rented cheap. No better location in the city. See HARTSOOK, the renter, 108 Jefferson street. 9417

FOR RENT—LARGE COMMUNICATING rooms on first floor. No. 24 Sixth avenue S. W. 9201m

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A WOODEN TANK 5x6x8, will hold 1,100 gallons. Apply to WM. MCCARTY, 316 Salem avenue S. W. 1081w

NEW ACADEMY OF MUSIC—20 shares of stock for sale (\$2,000); fully paid. All of this stock has been paid up. J. J. CATOGNI. 1041w

THE STUDEBAKER FARM WAGON. For sale by HUGHES & CAMP. dec8-17

LOST AND FOUND.

STRAYED FROM OUR STABLES on the night of October 4 a small bay mare. Licent reward for her return. ROANOKE SALES AND EXCHANGE STABLE. 1061w.

LOST—AN UMBRELLA—IF THE present owner of a steel shanked umbrella, having my name on a silver plate set in the handle, will return same to the Times office he will restore my confidence in human nature. HERBERT JANVIN BROWNE. 92117

LIBERAL REWARD FOR RETURN of one dark bay mare, three years old, with one white hind foot and saddle gall on left side; stolen from my pasture, five miles west of Salem, Friday night. THOS. BEAMER, Salem, Va. 105417

LOST OR MISLAID—CERTIFICATE No. 57 for five shares stock of the Buena Vista Loan and Trust Company, of Buena Vista, Va., in my name, has been lost or mislaid. I have made application for a duplicate issue. A. L. JAMISON. 8261aw2m

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

NOTICE—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Pleasant Valley Land Company will be held at the offices of the Traders' Loan, Trust and Deposit Company, in the city of Roanoke, Va., on Monday, Nov. 7, 1892, at 4 o'clock, p. m. E. E. COLE, Secretary. 1091aw17

NOTICE TO THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Midway Iron Company—You are hereby notified that a general meeting of the stockholders of the above named company is called to meet at the office of Dupuy & Taliaferro, in the city of Roanoke, on Monday, November 7, 1892, at 11 o'clock a. m. E. E. COLE, Secretary. 1081m

OFFICE OF SECRETARY AND Treasurer, Virginia Arsenal, Greenville and Lithia Springs Companies, Christiansburg, Va., Sept. 17, 1892.

A general meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held at the Crockett Springs Hotel on Thursday, the 20th day of October, 1892, at 3 p. m. A full meeting is of the utmost importance. By order of the president—G. J. JUNKEN, Sec'y. 92027, 1041117

NOTICE TO THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Roanoke Cold Storage Company—You are hereby notified that a general meeting of the stockholders of the above-named company is called to meet at the office of Penn & Cooke, in the city of Roanoke, on the 28th day of October, 1892, at 8 p. m. J. R. SCHICK, Secretary. 92817m

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS OF the Phoenix Land Company—The annual meeting of this company will be held October 8, 1892, for the election of officers and general business, at the Crescent Club in this city. By order of the President. M. STRAUSE, Secretary. 9830d

The above meeting has been postponed until October 27, 1892, at same place at 9 p. m. M. STRAUSE, Secretary.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

NOTICE, WATER CONSUMERS—Water rentals for the quarter (October, November and December, 1892,) are now due. Consumers are hereby notified to call at the office of the Roanoke Gas and Water Company, Room 204, Terry building, and pay same. Water may be cut off from all consumers who do not pay their bills on or before October 20. An additional charge of 50 cents will be collected for turning on water. J. C. RAWN, Manager and Engineer. 1051w30

NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 25th 1892. Notice is hereby given that the board of directors has declared on the preferred stock of this Company a dividend of one dollar per share, payable in script at the office of the treasurer, on and after October 28th, 1892, to the stockholders as registered at 3 o'clock, p. m., on October 15th, 1892. The dividend script, when presented to the secretary of the company in sums of \$500, will be exchanged for debenture bonds maturing in 1912, or earlier, at the option of the company, and bearing 5 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually. A. J. HEMPHILL, Secretary. 1017152123.

NATIONAL BUSINESS COLLEGE Roanoke, Va.—The regular session of this popular institution, which has been partially suspended during the heated season, resumed yesterday, September 1st, with a full corps of instructors. Remember that over 75 per cent. of the two hundred students who entered the school and completed their course are to-day filling positions successfully and most of them in this Magic City of progress and enterprise. Young men, come here and prepare for business. Send for our new illustrated college journal containing full information. Address as above. 1117

PROPOSALS.

CITY OF ROANOKE, OFFICE OF THE Board of Public Works, Roanoke, Va., Sept. 24th, 1892.—Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock October 25th, 1892, for furnishing all the necessary labor and materials for the construction of a canal or side walk alongside the Greene Memorial Church, on Campbell avenue and Roanoke street, to include the necessary stone curbing. The space to be covered amounts to about 1,350 square feet. All bids must be accompanied with a certified check for \$100.00. Bids must be enclosed in an envelope, sealed and marked on the outside, "Bid for granite sidewalk." The right is hereby reserved to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in any bid if it is deemed to the interest of the city to do so. Plans and specifications can be seen at this office. Address bids to this office. J. D. KIRK, Chairman Board of Public Works. 92530d

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Sealed proposals are invited by the City Council of Roanoke for lighting the city of Roanoke with electricity not less than 50 nor more than 100 arc lights of 2,000 candle power each to burn every night in the year from sunset to sunrise. The right is reserved by the City Council to accept or reject any or all bids. All bids must be in by 12 o'clock m. October 15, 1892, and addressed to J. E. Hough, chairman light committee, care of clerk of City Council of Roanoke, Va. Chairman Light Committee, Roanoke, Va., September 16, 1892. 9161m

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF BUILDING COMMISSIONERS, RICHMOND, August 26, 1892.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until 12 o'clock M. September 22, 1892, for the erection and completion of the State library building at Richmond, Va. Plans, specifications and "General Instruction to Bidders" may be seen at the office of the architect, W. M. Ponder, 1820 F street, Washington, D. C., and at this office, on and after August 29, 1892.

Bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check of \$5,000 made payable to the president of the State Board of Building Commissioners as a security for the execution of a contract for the work, with a bond in the penalty of \$20,000. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. P. W. MCKINNEY, Governor of Virginia and President of the State Board of Building Commissioners. 91130t